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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 13 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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(First part)

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	5st meeting	Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

Report of the Secretary-General on the reduction and refocusing of non-programme costs (A/52/758 and A/52/7/Add.10)

Introduction and general discussion

Informal consultations

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/51/804, A/52/338, A/52/534 and Corr.1, A/52/813 and A/52/7/Add.3))

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 16 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Resumed fifty-second session
(First part)

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	52nd meeting	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations

3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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Thursday, 12 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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FIFTH COMMITTEE — 50th meeting

Human resources management [153]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the use of consultants

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/52/814).

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Saudi Arabia.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [137]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the follow-up to the 1997 audit and investigation of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/52/784).

Statements were made by the representatives of Norway, (the United Kingdom on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Cyprus and Liechtenstein), Mexico, Japan, Pakistan, Algeria and the United States.

The representatives of Romania and Poland also made a statements.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be conducted under the chairmanship of Mr. Sam Hanson (Canada).

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114]

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on theaudit of the regional commissions (ECA, ECLAC, ESCAP and ESCWA) and on the review of of the programme and administrative practices of the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Division (A/52/776 and A/52/777)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the aforementioned reports.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Cuba, the Philippines, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), Algeria, Uganda, the United States, Italy and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these reports.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these reports would be conducted under the chairmanship of Mr. Amjad Hussain Sial (Pakistan).

Other matters

The representative of Japan made a statement in order to clarify points raised under agenda item 117 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) at the 48th meeting on 10 March 1998.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Pakistan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Portugal and Uganda regarding the implementation of General Assembly resolution 52/214.

The representative of Cuba made a statement regarding information she requested in connection with General Assembly resolutions 52/220 and 52/221.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, Côte d'Ivoire, Canada and Egypt regarding the issuance of press releases.

The Chairman made a statement regarding these matters.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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